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Invention: APPLICATOR FOR AN ELECTROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2007, finally rejecting claims 20, 21, 23-26, 34-37 and 39-47, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.